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#### **GAPPED GROUND SAFETY DEVICE**

which is described and claimed in the attached specification.

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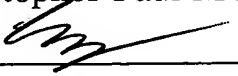
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